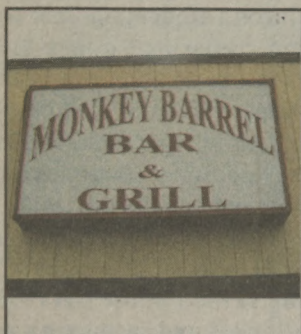


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Olympic swimmer Michael Phelps arrested in Salisbury

By: Bob Wojtek
 Staff writer

Olympic swimmer Michael Phelps is facing strict penalties and tough criticism after his driving under the influence arrest on Nov. 4 in Salisbury. According to sophomore Josh Childress, Phelps was visiting friends who go to SU. One person who saw Phelps that night said she has been advised not to talk about the alleged incident. When asked to clarify, she declined any further comment.

Maryland State Police arrested and charged Phelps with driving under the influence of alcohol, driving while impaired by alcohol, violation of a license restriction and failure to obey a traffic control device. A fifth citation displayed by the state police indicated that Phelps might have taken a breathalyzer test.

"I'm sorry for everyone who supported him, which is everyone. He let himself down. He let us all down," Phelps' coach Bob Bowman told ESPN. "My great hope is that he can be a stronger person and a better person and get back on track to do the things he's born to do."

One source told WBAL that Phelps' vehicle nearly hit the unmarked police car on Bateman Ave., catching the attention of the trooper. Phelps reportedly asked the officer, "Do you know who I am?" The trooper replied, "Yeah, you're Michael Phelps." Phelps' father is a retired state trooper.

Attorneys say the fact that Phelps is only 19 can play a major role in sentencing if convicted. A DUI conviction has a maximum penalty of a one-year imprisonment and \$1,000 fine. The lesser DWI charge carries a maximum penalty of 60 days imprisonment and \$500 fine. The judge could reduce either charge to probation before judgment, but



Phelps would still most likely lose his license for six months. Probation would keep any possible conviction off his criminal record.

"I guess you don't expect Salisbury to be national news," junior Elyse Rowan said. "He did something he shouldn't - allegedly - but he's only 19. It's not that unusual."

"I don't think the school will get a bad reputation," sophomore Rob Lovenguth said. "I bet the police are going to get more ridicule."

Many students said that they saw Phelps partying in the Zoo.

One student at the party said that he and Phelps argued and nearly fought over a beer-pong game, but the gold medalist later apologized. Another anonymous partygoer said that Phelps went back and continued drinking after his arrest.

WBAL-TV reported that businesses have removed many congratulatory signs in Phelps' hometown. Speedo hasn't made any changes in its contract or marketing plan with Phelps, said senior vice president Stu Isaac. Visa and PowerBar have also stated their support for Phelps. "Part of athletic spon-

sorship is celebrating highs with athletes as well as working through their difficult times," PowerBar spokesperson Vanessa Wagar said.

The harshest criticism is coming from fans of Phelps. "I guess his face would look just as good on a beer bottle as on a Wheaties box!" Ana from Beverly Hills posted at fan-site michaelphelpsonline.com.

Phelps hired two lawyers, Steven A. Allen from Towson and James V. Anthenelli of Salisbury, who were both unavailable for comment. Wicomico County State's Attorney Davis Ruark said he expected the case to be in court during late December or early January.

Nursing program introduces SimMan

By: Eva Ivackova
Staff writer

Vaccines, medications, disease strains and pathogens and ways to treat patients are all part of the educational process that nurses need to learn how to use and follow. This year, SimMan, a 5-foot, 5-inch, 75-pound mannequin that talks, breathes and maintains a pulse, is being used to practice CPR and physical assessment, learn defibrillator use and practice techniques for life-saving if a patient appears to die. More than 1100 SimMan

mannequins, powered by laptop computers have been installed nationwide at military institutions and nursing schools in the past three years. Now, this latest technology invention has arrived at Salisbury University.

"SimMan gives [students] realism, aimed at the training they need, and is especially valuable to those who will become far-forward medical assets," said John Rodgers, a representative of Laerdal Medical, the Texas-based company that produces SimMan.

SimMan has many life-like features including pulse, blood pressure, vaccine injection sites, human sounds (such as breathing, coughing, heart-beat, moaning, etc.) and also genitalia that can be added for catheterization procedures. However, the most important feature of SimMan is the compatibility of SimMan with software to time, measure and save the performance of each individual student on the computer's hard drive. In terms of medical healthcare, SimMan could present itself as

possibly the biggest medical care development in the present times of the occupation.

Used in similar army and naval operations because of the mannequin's flexibility to simulate almost any battlefield condition, the same technology has now been introduced here at SU, where increased interest in the nursing program has helped the program achieve much more national prestige over the past few years. With the increased need for nurses looming in the fu-

ture, SimMan is a great development for all students entering the field. This new addition to the nursing program will train students in real situation scenarios, so they know how to react if a real person collapses in front of them.

"I think that SimMan is a great addition to the nursing program because it will be more like a real life experience and it will help students be more skilled in the field," said Katlynn Lund, a nursing major student. "It is definitely a positive move toward the future," said Lund.

Career services helps make graduation smoother for students

By: Shane Jacobus
Staff writer

Graduating can be rather scary for many college students depending on how prepared they are for this transition. Although quite a few students rent off-campus housing in Salisbury, other SU students still live in a more tightly structured environment of dormitories, meal plans and classes. However, once they graduate, that door is closed to them and there is no going back. Consequently, college graduates must learn to become more independent, and in order to do that they must first find a decent job.

In order to make this transition a little smoother for students, SU Career Services takes a wide variety of steps in preparing students for it. Aside from sending out emails and hosting job fairs, Career Services also provides multiple services for students, including career counseling, mock interviews and workshops. They also give students extensive advice for writing resumes, which is perhaps the most critical piece when applying for a job.

"I have been to Career Services in the past for help with revising my resume and writing a cover letter," said senior Heather Parmelee, who graduates in December. "The lady I met with was extremely helpful. We sat in a small meeting room and we went over what I had, and then she made suggestions and gave me some helpful paperwork to improve what I already had. She

was very intuitive, friendly and glad to answer any of my questions."

"As far as visiting for job hunting," said Parmelee, "I have not done so and probably will not at this point because I have decided to take a little time off from the whole school-work thing when I graduate in December. I will be working a part-time kind of 'relaxed' job at a hair salon down here in Salisbury for a while before I head back home and get a 'real' job."

Dr. Rebecca Emery, the Director of Career Services, said it is always a good idea for students not to put too much pressure on themselves when it comes to finding a job. Yet, she also advises undergraduates to at least start thinking about what they would like to do after graduation during their junior year.

"We have a basic format," she said, "but students can walk in anytime and we can meet with them individually to talk about their individual desires and pursuits. We like to look at resumes and critique them for the student's benefit. We also do mock interviews to help those who might feel nervous when it comes to job interviews."

Dr. Emery also strongly encourages students to look into the Work Information Network (WIN). The WIN Program allows students to contact any registered alumni who have moved on to a field that might interest them.

"Students really need to think about networking," said Emery, "because that's the best way to find jobs."

"As far as the process goes," said Parmelee, "I have been looking online for companies that are hiring and what fits me best as far as having the proper qualifications and whatnot. I have a pretty good idea of what I will be getting into come the first year after I've graduated. I hope to get a position with a publishing firm in order to edit, print and publish."

The Office of Institutional Research and Assessment at SU determines the overall success of education as far as employment goes by sending out surveys to alumni at least one year after they graduate.

"I think they are basically very pleased with Salisbury University," said June Dysart of the Holloway Hall Accountability Office.

According to the result of this survey, roughly 90 percent of the alumni from the Class of 2003 were satisfied or very satisfied with the quality of education at SU. The remaining 10 percent were neutral, dissatisfied or very dissatisfied. Taking this into account, the SU administration hopes to improve the percentage of satisfied alumni in the coming years.

"We're always trying to improve here at Salisbury University," said Dysart. "We have to be held accountable when it comes to the quality of education."

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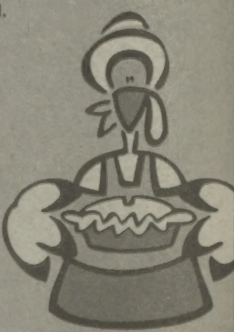
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SU takes extra step to prevent plagiarism

Recently purchased computer program checks assignments for copied information

By: Contessa Crisostomo
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The war on plagiarism has been one fought for many years, particularly in the college community. The newest defense against plagiarism at Salisbury University is TurnItIn.com.

The Turnitin Plagiarism Prevention Service was recently purchased by the university in an attempt to decrease plagiarism on campus. The program is designed to scan students' documents, whether it is term papers or lab reports, for illegal use of content from websites, journals, and other publications. The program also compares documents to works of other students who have submitted to the site.

"Far too many students assume that cutting and pasting information directly from the internet is acceptable," says Dr. Darrell Newton, professor in the Communications department. "It clearly is not, especially without proper citation efforts."

Faculty members believe the program will increase awareness of academic integrity. "It is a way for professors to make sure students do their own work," says Dr. Tom Moriarty, an English professor.

However, students are concerned about the reliability of the program. "I thought it was unfair because we could be wrongly accused of plagiarizing because they compare it to so many different sources," says freshman Chantalle Ibarra.

"I don't trust that program, because I think teachers would rely on the results from that, rather than letting a student defend his or herself," says sophomore Brendan Boettinger. "I don't really understand how it works, and until I see it and it is explained to me, I'd be more comfortable."

Faculty members argue that it shouldn't be an issue. Moriarty says that it is up to the professor to decide the severity of plagiarism in a student's paper. For the most part, the program is used to find obvious chunks of content that matches with a website or publication.

There are students that believe Turnitin is a good tool for the school to utilize. "I think it's great," says Kimberly Hamer, sophomore, who used Turnitin for an English class. "It was very easy and efficient to work with. I didn't really experience difficulties."

"I think that is a great idea," says junior Shannon Scott, "people should not be allowed to cheat on papers. You are here to work, and if you cheat now you will be cheating your future employer also."

Junior Dustin Holt feels the program would make grading more fair to those who do their own work.

So far, over 50 professors on campus have used the service and over 500 students have submitted work to the site.

"Whether students or instructors, we are expected to use our intellect to illuminate society and improve the world at large," says Newton. "Turnitin helps to make this a certainty and gives credit where credit is due."

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GOSPEL CHOR HOLDS 20TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION. The SU Gospel Choir will hold its 20th anniversary celebration Nov. 19 and 20 in the Holloway Hall auditorium. The celebration will feature performances by the SU Gospel choir, SU Liturgical dance ensemble and guest performers Gideon Band from Washington D.C. For more information contact Debbie Johnson at 410-543-6086 or Kaimais Love at 410-548-3396. The event is free and open to the public.

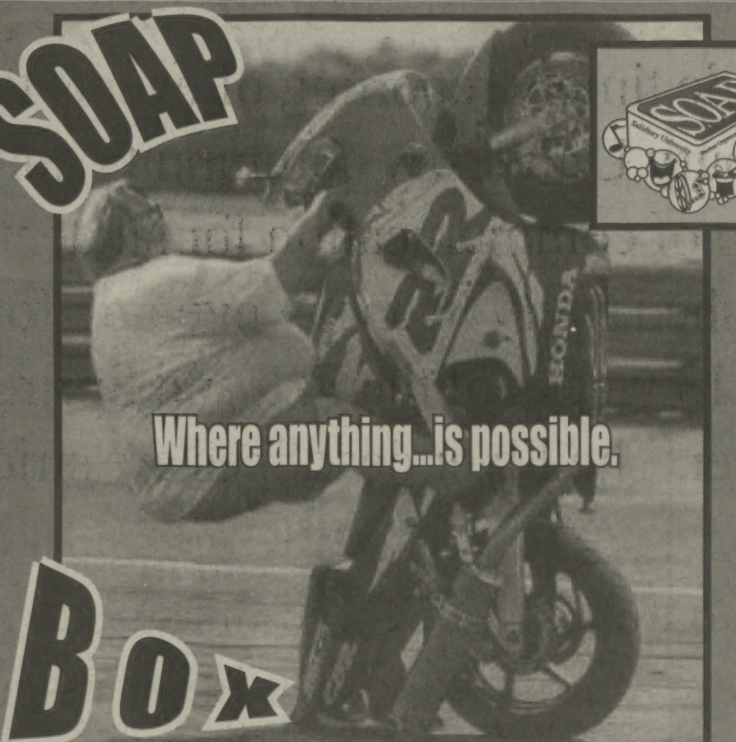
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OPINION

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Actions of SU's youthful generation is a cause for concern

By Shanley Crutchfield

I'm very proud of our school, but lately I've been wondering what's going on? Salisbury has made the news twice in the past three weeks: first it was President Dudley-Eshbach's son and now it's Michael Phelps' drunk driving incident. This is not just an SU issue, but in my opinion a generational concern. We need to go about making names for ourselves in different ways. We always complain about adults not taking us seriously, thinking we are immature and irresponsible, and we get upset when the Salisbury community does not respect us. Do we show them that we are capable of acting any differently?

Twenty-year-old Joseph Eshbach is the first representative to make the news recently, leading police on a high speed chase through the neighborhood of Camden Avenue at 4 a.m. on Oct. 22. The police officer tailing him reported Eshbach almost lost control of the car four times. Eshbach is now facing 20 violations, and I'm going to go out on a limb and say he was probably driving drunk but perhaps he wasn't; yet if that was not the case why did he flee from his mother's house when police arrived? Sober people usually do not run from police.

Another thing that makes no sense is the way the school is treating this. Our president is hiding from the issue, reportedly out of town and unavailable for comment. Her unavailability is just an example of political corruptness, like the campus spokesman being quoted about Joseph Eshbach's good academic standing. Who cares about his good grades when he drove recklessly through residential neighborhoods for no reason other than he thinks he can get away with it. If he is so

smart, maybe he should have enough common sense to not do things like this.

Olympic swimmer Michael Phelps came to Salisbury, which I know was exciting, not only to see him but also to see SU in the news; I would rather not be associated with yet another underage drunk driver. The really amazing thing about Phelps' incident was the news reports saying the two people in the car with him were sober. If that is true, I question why they would ride with a driver who has been drinking. That goes out to anyone who won't stand up to a friend and take the keys.

On Nov. 4, Phelps reportedly asked the officer if he knew who he was after being pulled over and the officer knew, but didn't care to give him special treatment, which deserves applause. Maybe Phelps will get what he deserves, unlike Eshbach.

I have nothing against Joseph Eshbach or Michael Phelps, I have never met the two, and in all honesty, I probably couldn't pick either one out of a crowd. But I would like to think that our own president's son wouldn't purposely make us all look bad, and I would like to hope the young Maryland Olympiad who made the U.S. proud would continue to do so. I care about our generation and how people see us, and I really care about drunk driving. No one deserves special treatment when he or she acts foolishly and irresponsibly regardless of his or her status and relations. Everyone knows how stupid drinking and driving is, that's why we have Safe Ride! Call them, (410)677-5000.

I wish our generation would step up and make a better name for themselves. We have more to offer the world than what we are displaying right now.

Letter from the Editor

Dear SU community,

I'm trying to mix things up in the opinion section. I want a combination of campus, political, economic and community concerns that impact students. With that being said, I am not asking for stories from journalism majors. I don't care if your major is art or physical education, history or physics, if you want to write about something that you haven't read in The

Flyer or think is timely, but would really love to see, then I want you to send that to us.

The Flyer represents your student voice on every topic. Use The Flyer to communicate to other students about issues you feel passionate about and know will affect them also.

I will not be deterred by rude e-mails from people afraid of change or close-minded

opinions on what I am seeking for this section. I am not trying to destroy a civilization; I am just trying to make sure that the campus paper is an accurate representation of all the different student opinions.

Looking forward to hearing from you,

Portia Wright

Opinion Editor

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The Flyer is a student publication designed to provide timely reporting of events to the Salisbury University community and a medium of communication for students. It is published every Monday evening for the first 13 weeks of the Fall and Spring semester. The Flyer deadlines are strictly Fridays at 3 p.m. Any material submitted later than then is subject to dismissal. As a communications body, The Flyer reserves the right to edit any submitted text for publication. The Flyer does not discriminate based on age, color, handicap, marital status, race, gender or sexual orientation.

A Soldier

Submitted by Matt Evans

Adapted from Rupert Brooke's "The Soldier"
 If I should die think only this of me,
 I fought evil for a phantom cause and died.
 My blood spilled in a relentless desert I never had to see.
 Yet the debate 'mongst white-haired power-tied
 Men rages for the rights to turn the sand my blood has
 soaked,
 To provide the dark-haired power-tied rights to pillage
 instead.
 From america, land of the loathed I came cloaked
 To fight the heathens, and fell for empty reasons, in some
 village dead.
 And just think, our hearts full of good intentions
 Move mountains to shed the western light.
 Our pulse, the righteous pulse, full of condescension
 Courses through foreign veins, as though we were right.
 The throat of vengeance our moral task parches,
 How long will they stand, before someone bombs those
 golden arches?

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- Editing
- Photography

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FEATURES

Students find love on a mountain top

Two SU students become engaged on a weekend camping trip

By: Noah Wood
 Staff writer

Junior Danny McGinnis knelt down on one knee on top of a mountain and proposed to his girlfriend, Brianna Hinton, on a Campus Crusade for Christ camping trip in McHenry, Md. on Saturday, Nov. 6. The proposal came as a pleasant surprise to all their friends who witnessed it.

Fifteen members from the Campus Crusade for Christ departed from SU on Friday, Nov. 5 for a road trip across Maryland to Garrett County. There, they would camp in one of the most isolated valleys in the state for the weekend. Friday night at around 10 p.m. they finally arrived in the dark at the edge of a dense forest along a small country road. After unloading their gear, the campers earnestly set off into the dark forest and hiked for a rather treacherous mile and a half until they reached their cozy campsite along a creek bed.

Leading the hike was student, McGinnis, 21, a physical education major, who is an avid outdoorsman. He has been to the campsite more than 12 times; it is a popular place for him to camp with friends and family. In addition his girlfriend of three years, Hinton, 20, a junior math/secondary education major, had her fourth camping experience in the valley. She helped McGinnis lead the hike as well, never knowing that in less than a day from that moment, she would be having one of the happiest experiences of her life.

The first night found the campers quickly pitching their tents and diving into their sleeping bags to evade the encroaching chill of the mountains. Just about everyone slept well, and it provided



Photo submitted by Noah Wood

them enough energy to spend Saturday building forts, bridges and campfires in the woods. They felt themselves appreciating nature and growing closer to God as a result.

After the sun set on Saturday night, they had a huge campfire and sang praise and worship songs. Of course, they cooked their canned dinners and s'mores over the fire as well. In the middle of the merry evening McGinnis whispered to Hinton that he wanted to tell her something, and they slipped off into the night.

However, they were not stealthy enough to elude the curiosity of their fellow campers. After a couple more tunes, Kyle Barnette, one of the couple's closest friends from Campus Crusade, ended the singing and told everyone that McGinnis was setting into action his secretive plan of proposing to Hinton.

Barnette instructed everyone to leave the campfire and sneak off to the base of a nearby hill. Once they arrived,

the campers were told to turn off their flashlights and hunker down in hiding at the bottom of the hill, so that the two lovers would not notice their presence. Near the top of a hill rested a lit candle blowing softly in the breeze. If everything went as planned, McGinnis was going to bring Hinton to the where the candle sat and pop the question there.

While everyone waited nervously, a shooting star zipped by overhead, illuminating the sky and eliminating any doubts that the romance about to occur was meant to be. Soon a pair of flashlight beams appeared near where everyone lay hidden, they illuminated the figures of McGinnis and Hinton briskly making their way up the hill toward the candle.

However, Hinton was blindfolded once McGinnis brought her to the ledge where the candle was. Then, McGinnis read the last chapter of a romantic devotional book that they had been reading together for quite a while. After he

spent about 15 minutes reading, he asked her what their favorite colors were. She answered that they were green, blue and orange. As he removed the blindfold from her eyes, he told her to look for something that was green and orange.

"It was an indescribable feeling," said McGinnis about his anxiety moments before he popped the question that would change his life. "But it was good, I can say that. It was simply amazing! This was something from my heart."

Little did Hinton know that at the bottom of the hill near where her friends were hiding was an array of green and orange glow sticks on a blanket that were arranged to clearly spell "MARRY ME." When McGinnis removed her blindfold, Hinton looked down and saw the gleaming request shining from the forest floor, and tearfully said yes as he dropped to his knee and popped open the diamond ring case as well as the question.

"She said yes!" shouted McGinnis joyfully. In reply their friends leapt out of hiding, turned on their flashlights, and hooted and yelled their approval. Everyone rushed toward the now engaged couple like a pack of hungry kids to a candy store, hugging them and slapping them high fives (and tens!)

"I was totally surprised!" said Hinton joyfully. "I will never forget that weekend for the rest of my life; it could not have been better. I am so excited for what the Lord has done for us and what He will continue to do in our relationship."

Everyone returned to the campfire and celebrated the engagement. Before they left, though, near where the glow sticks were, they came across a charcoal black rock that resembled a heart in shape. To conclude the celebration, one of the campers tossed a bottle of Easy-Cheese into the fire, which resulted in a loud pop and small explosion. The night was truly filled with romance, enjoyment and excitement.

"I was so pleased when Danny asked me to help in planning and setting up for the proposal because Bri and Danny are two such special people in my life," said sophomore Jessica Breitschwerdt, a history/secondary education major. "Watching Danny propose was clear proof that true and pure love really does exist. Congratulations to them both. I could not think of two nicer people to be together."

The campers returned to campus on Sunday, and news quickly spread about the weekend's romance in the wilderness. Hinton and McGinnis are confident that God has called them to take the step that they took in their relationship and they faithfully seek God's guidance in their wedding planning, finances, and of course their future.

They plan to be wed in the middle of January of 2006 in the Seven Springs Ski Resort in Champion, Pa.

FEATURES Absence of innocence: American children exploited

By: Megan Wintersteen
Layout Editor

Over the years, the commercial sexual exploitation of children (CSEC) has become an ongoing problem within the United States and yet continues to be ignored.

Commercial sexual exploitation involves sexual abuse and remuneration in cash or kind to the child or a third person(s); also, anyone who benefits by making a child available for sexual purposes. In most cases, the child is treated as a commercial and sexual object.

CSEC is articulated through multiple forms of prostitution and pornography, as well as the sale and trafficking of children for sexual purposes.

*A national study from the University of Pennsylvania's School of Social Work approximates that 200,000 - 300,000 children in America are at high-risk of involvement in commercial sexual exploitation; so why is it that most people don't even know it exists?

The lack of attention to CSEC is due to the absence of effective

awareness programs, and America's inability to recognize the problem. "I don't really feel that sexual exploitation is a problem, so why would child exploitation be a problem?" says freshman Neil Thompson.

Since it is such an uncomfortable issue, most people avoid it

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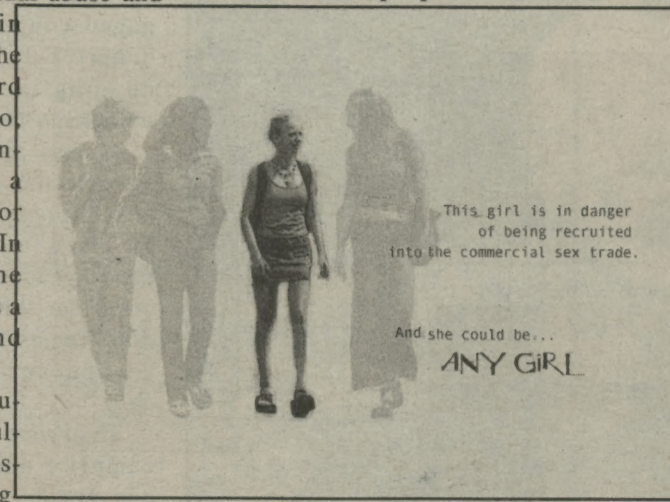
Many cases have been documented on CSEC. For example, *in 2000, a network of men from St. Louis recruited girls between the ages of 14 and 18 from Wisconsin and Minnesota for sexual exploitation in massage parlors and escort services all over the country.

Unfortunately, this network, whose members were prosecuted, had conducted their business untouched for no less than 17 years.

In March 2001, 25 private youth-serving organizations conducted a meeting to form what is now, the U.S. Campaign against the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children; thus,

in discussion or otherwise. Others are in denial that such a horrible act of sexual exploitation could actually occur within our nation.

On the other hand, many people perceive the children and youth involved in prostitution as offenders rather than victims. "It's their choice to take part in those activities," says freshman Jami Medley. Further, some actually accept the sex trade as a permissible activity; rest assured, it isn't.



15.November.2004 Monkeying around: The Monkey Barrel; Salisbury's New favorite?

By Caroline Watson
Staff writer

Barrel of Monkeys (n.) - a childhood game that involves a small plastic barrel full of monkeys, which in order to win must be all hooked together by various extremities. Monkey Barrel (n.) - a Salisbury hot spot that involves a rather spacious bar full of college students who, in the process of having fun, may end up being all hooked together by various extremities.

Known for the infamous barrel drink, Drew Carr and Ryan Miller are co-owners of Monkey Barrel, which is conveniently located directly across from campus.

"Thursday nights are pretty fun because of the five dollar barrels," says student Tim Carle. "It's nice to walk into a bar where you recognize over half the people; unlike other bars, the Monkey Barrel seems to attract only college kids which is cool."

Over half the staff of 25 is college students and they manage to keep a good, steady crowd. Carr says they have been filled to capacity every Friday night and offer

drink specials every day of the week.

"I have worked at bars in Baltimore and Ocean City; going to

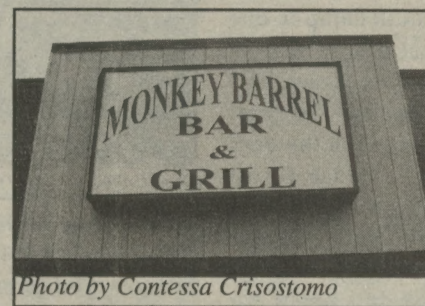


Photo by Contessa Crisostomo

school here I always thought that this town was lacking a college bar," says Nick Miller who works at the door. "The Monkey Barrel is a true college bar with prices suited to the college student and the atmosphere for college kids."

Even though owning a bar may seem like a fun, laid back sort of job, Carr proves that it's not all fun and games.

"Every five minutes I'm doing a different job; one minute I'm a plumber, the next I'm an electrician," says Carr. He says it's been a very interesting experience and their next big project is to put in a kitchen so that they can serve food as well as drinks.

"We are not really worried about the other bars," says Carr. "We don't want to get preoccupied with what other bars are doing."

With a different drink special every night and big screen TV's for the football season, the Monkey Barrel is looking forward to a successful school year and beyond! Besides, where else can you go to dance in a red light-up cage?

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FEATURES Conflict Resolution Club gives back to the community this holiday season

By: Abby Smith
Staff Writer

Although Kristen John and Amanda Spada have been good friends for a while, this is the first time they have worked together. John and Spada, presidents of the Conflict Resolution Club and Psychology Club, respectively, have been working to orchestrate a community and campus-wide food drive, which will mark the first official collaborative undertaking of the two clubs.

After nearly a month of development and planning, John and Spada are optimistic and anxious for the beginning of the two-week drive. Although publicity and promotion of the drive will be extensive on campus, it will also be extended into the Salisbury city community, by having donation boxes in area churches and other local venues, courtesy of the Rotary Club.

The drive will officially kick off on Nov. 22, and continue until Dec. 4. On the final day of the drive, there will be a massive "Drop-Off Day" in the Wicomico Room, from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m., which will be

followed by a Coffee House-style fundraiser from 7 p.m. until 10 p.m., where there will be bands and an open mic, and coffee, brownies and cookies will be sold to benefit the drive.

John and Spada hope that all SU students can contribute in some way to the drive. Even if students do not have things in their dorms to donate, Spada says that if students have a desire to donate, they should ask their parents and friends at home if there are any old books, toys or clothes that they would be willing to part with.

Spada points out that students who are returning home for the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday would have an easy opportunity to search for goods to contribute, and could simply donate them upon their return to campus.

Although it is advertised as a food drive, the two have been working tirelessly to network with numerous social service agencies and incorporate as many community groups as possible in the event. Among the charities involved are The Salvation Army, who will re-

ceive any donated clothing articles and toys. The American Red Cross, who will be given all financial donations raised, Lenscrafters, who will ship and distribute old glasses to those in need, Great Scott Broadcasting, who will handle donations and the distribution of books, and the Maryland Food Bank, who will be given all the donations of food.

The two hope to make this an annual event to benefit anyone who is in need. "We want to give back and join with the community in an effort to reach out," says John.

Both feel that while it is always a good thing to practice community service, the holiday season is a time when it is especially necessary to remember those who are less fortunate. "We just wanted to do something as a community service project and to help around the holidays," says Spada.

For more information the drive, the Conflict Resolution, or the Psychology Club, email Kristen John at conflictresolutionjob@yahoo.com or Amanda Spada at supsychward@yahoo.com.

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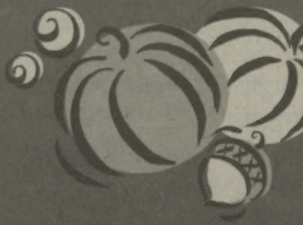


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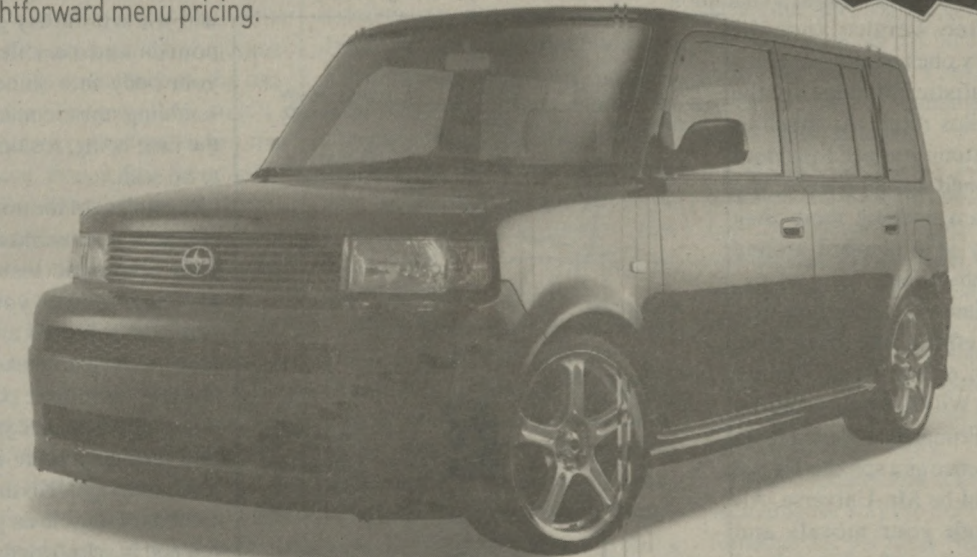
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Overheard: The Secret Lives of SU Faculty

What are your plans for the weekend?



My plans are to do nothing and just get away.
Ray Fantini - Media Engineer



On Saturday I'm spending time with my 8 year old niece and nephew, Michael and Michaela.
Regina Holmes - Health Services Administrative Assistant



I'm going kayaking on Saturday at Sharpe's Point on the Wicomico River and grading papers.
Jim Forte - Professor of Social Work



I will be attending the Vegan Candlelight Dinner and watching *Crossfire* with the Film Society.
Dr. Robert Berry - Professor of History



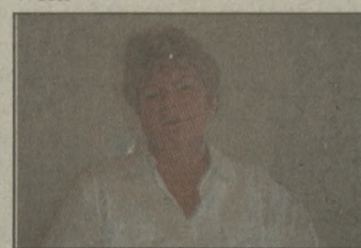
I don't have anything planned.
Susan Parks - Secretary for the Geography Department



I'm attending the annual meeting for the Archaeological Society of Maryland because I am the Vice President.
Dr. Elizabeth Ragan - Professor of Anthropology



I will divide the time between cleaning my house and grading in my office.
Dr. Marvin Tossey - Social Work Department Chair



Usually I fish but this weekend I'm tearing up my grades.
Pam Okszewski - Professor of Art



I will be grading programs, writing lesson plans, and most likely be watching the Redskins lose, but not happily.
MJ Bardzell - Professor of Computer Science



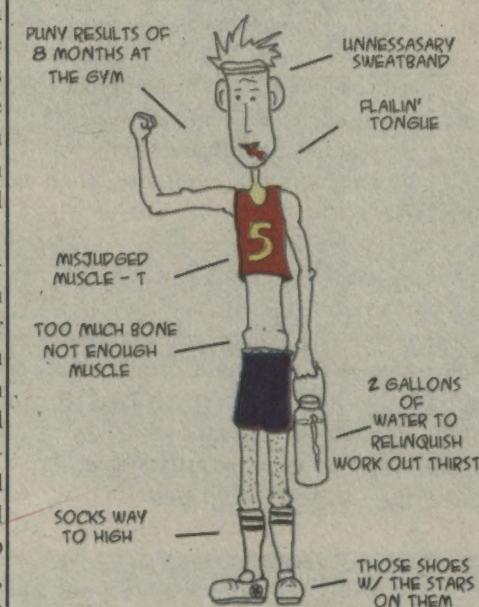
I'm taking my daughter to a writing workshop, going on a 40-mile bike ride, starting on Christmas presents and reassembling my house.
Claire Williams - Secretary of the Social Work Department

Campus Heroes V.2 Pt. 11 Mr. Skinny Guy in the weight room

By: John A. Heath
Features Editor

Today we salute you, Mr. Skinny Guy in the Weight Room, as you are our modern day meager Olympian in an ever-enduring quest toward physical fitness, a champion of free weights (not the heavy ones of course) and a ritualistic attendee of the nautilus room. As much as you strain yourself to achieve tone and washboard abs, you remain nothing more than pasty skin slapped around knobby bones.

Muscles evade your useless efforts like Jerry from Tom, or the Road Runner from Wile E. Coyote and you are ultimately doomed to an existence as a spindle-legged would-be Mr. Universe. Although your morals and memories of after school special horror stories keep you from touching steroids, you've tried everything else to gain muscle mass from eating raw eggs Rocky-style to brushing with creatine toothpaste and administering pasta injections on your rump. Water is your ultimate liquid of choice, but you would likely not pass up those gotta-have-'em electrolytes present



By Merl Click

have still yet to manage to bench press the empty bar plus your shoe size in pounds.

Consuming nutrition bars by the blender-full, your high-speed metabolism is the object of desire of many a jealous fitness-obsessed fe-

male, you can do nothing to thwart a lifetime of skinniness. While some people may try anything to shed a few pounds, there is no amount of food you can eat to gain some. Maybe when you hit 30, your metabolism will crash down and you will finally gain a few pounds and be able to mold your body into something resembling muscle mass, but for the time being, results have yet to be seen.

Regardless of the non-existent effects of your workout regime, your optimistic visualization technique makes you believe you have achieved a degree of success. As you stand in front of the gym mirror, posing and straining to actualize your imagined results, you are indeed an admirable sight. Kissing minute mounds of muscle on your arms you nod in acknowledgement to your success.

So down some carbs and a V-8 creatine shake, Mr. Skinny Guy in the Weight Room, although you toil with exercise more than most of the student body, yours remains to be skin and bones. At least you're ambitious and perhaps one day that long uphill journey toward muscle-boundness might be achieved...but then again, likely not.

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Students should be choosy when purchasing contraceptives

By: Lindsey Richman
Staff Writer

With the prevalence of sexually transmitted diseases on college campuses, students may want to consider the effectiveness of condoms if they choose to engage in sexual relations. *Consumer Reports* regularly tests the effectiveness of STD protection and contraceptive efficacy of various condom brands.

The use of latex condoms has risen drastically from the 1980s to today. According to *Consumer Reports*, quality has vastly improved. Manufacturers dip latex condoms in more latex to help the quality of condoms. They also test every latex condom sold in the United States for defects; however, "rough handling, improper storage, and aging could damage condoms after consumers buy them. Studies show that the breakage rate for new condoms is less than two percent," says a Press Release by Greg Reed. "The United States Food and Drug Administration also randomly tests the condoms made in the United States. While failures

are rare, they occur in the widely known brands."

Reports say that condoms usually fail when consumers use them incorrectly, and, the reports warn, consumers often do so. To be the



most effective, consumers should use condoms consistently. New users of condoms have a 15 percent failure rate, while frequent condom users have a two percent failure rate.

Consumer Reports tested a variety of condoms and rated them on a number of scales, including

"burst index." The index was based on a condom's breakage rate when filled with air. According to the CCFa (Crohn's and Ulcerative Colitis), the consumer watchdog group reported that the Ramses Extra Ribbed Spermicidally Lubricated condom earned a top score. Condoms that are thinner to help sensitivity are known to break more than normal ones.

Among the 30 products that passed the initial screening (in which no more than 1.5% of condoms fell short of government requirements), those with a higher Burst Index can make the possibility of breakage during sex consistently lower.

But the findings do not match the claims on several packages. Five tested condoms claim to be strong (or stronger than some other brands), but only Ramses Extra Ribbed Spermicidal Lubricated condoms earned a top score on the Burst Index according to the *Consumer Reports* Ratings.

Old condoms are never good to use, no matter what the circumstance. "As condoms age, the rubber in them may weaken, so it's a good idea to avoid packages that are more than a few years old," says *Consumer Reports*. The report found no sign of aging among the tested condoms, which were all less than three years old.

Unfortunately, different brands date products differently. Remember this when checking the label: Products containing spermicide are given just two or three years on the shelf (to assure that the spermicide still works), "while other condoms are allowed as many as five years on the shelf" says *Consumer Reports*.

Remember to look at consumer reports before purchasing condoms; some brands are much safer and much more beneficial in a time of need. For a chart of *Consumer Reports'* ratings, check out: <http://sqzm14.ust.hk/condom-ratings-95.HTML>.

Students trapped in the Gull Net

By: Amber C. Smith
Staff Writer

Whether they are locked out of their accounts, unable to schedule for classes, or simply told that their password is incorrect, SU students can attest to the frustrating experience of the temporary, but frequent, glitches in the Gull Net system.

The most recent hiccup in the Gull Net System occurred Monday, Nov. 1 when, according to an employee at the Registrar's Office, "the Cashier's Office ran a program that blocked all students from accessing their accounts." Although no details have been provided to explain the program that caused the confusion, the University Registrar issued the following statement on Thursday, Nov. 4:

"On Monday, November 1, Students were unable to access their Gull Net accounts due to a system-wide fault. Fortunately, service was restored within a few hours and all registration functions were back to normal by early afternoon. Despite rumors to the contrary, registration was not open to all students, but only to those with a scheduled appointment. All enrollment activity has been reviewed as a precaution and any inappropriate registrations are being addressed. Any students with questions or concerns may contact the Registrar's Office at registrar@salisbury.edu."

Students such as senior Steve Lessner question the benefits of the Gull Net system because of the attached glitches and delays that come along with it. "I tried to schedule for my classes at 8 a.m., but I wasn't allowed in the system," says Lessner. "When I finally called the Registrar's Office they could only tell me to keep trying because it should be back up at any time. This was frustrating because I had to prepare for class and I didn't want to miss out on scheduling for next semester's classes."

The Gull Net system was introduced to the Salisbury University community as a new and easy way of accessing personal academic information. Instead of calling the

Gull Line and getting a busy signal, SU students now have 24-hour access to information regarding academics.

However, the system hasn't been running as smoothly as planned and few explanations to assist students have been provided.

Soon after the Nov. 1 glitch was fixed, another such issue arose. On Nov. 3 Computer Science majors had a difficult time scheduling some of their classes, due to another glitch in the system. This malfunction sent a default message stating that the student had not met the prerequisites necessary to take the class when the student already had.

"It just makes me nervous when I can't register," says one computer science major who experienced the recent mixed up. "I feel as if my time is being wasted, my classes are getting full, and there's nothing I can do. It's like I'm trapped in the Gull Net and can't get out."

The Gull Net service is not all bad news, as students have also experienced benefits from the system. "The Gull Net program is very beneficial because it's accessible whenever I need it. I am not tied to my advisor's schedule," says senior Isaac Johnson.

Perhaps the greatest benefit of Gull Net is having the 24-hour access to academic information. Before the Gull Net Services, students were required to wait for the availability of their advisors. "The Gull Net is pretty cool," says sophomore Mike Piorunski. "It's definitely a good thing that all of your personal info only a click away."

The SU faculty and staff are still searching for ways to improve performance of the Gull Net Online Campus Services. On Tuesday Nov. 2, a PeopleSoft meeting was held to inform faculty how to deal with Gull Net problems.

Perhaps the glitches in the system will decrease and SU students will experience the enhanced benefits of the academic, 24-hour, computer-based system that was promised to be a success. Until then, students will have to navigate through the mire called the Gull Net.

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Independent films find willing audiences in Rehoboth

By: Kat Hess

Photo Editor

For as much complaining as I do about a lack of independent movies around this area, the Rehoboth Beach Film Festival certainly shuts me up for a couple of weeks. From foreign films to director's cuts, four whole days of films to choose from sounds like a little slice of heaven.

Of the many films playing, I selected "Wilbur Wants to Kill Himself," "Donnie Darko: Director's Cut" and "Bubba Ho-tep."

For those who think independent film festivals contain all artsy films that make no sense or are extremely tragic in nature or foreign, well, they would be wrong. "Bubba Ho-tep" is part of the "shock cinema" that is offered at Rehoboth. The film stars Bruce Campbell as an aging Elvis in a nursing home, who battles a mummy with a black JFK. Sound strange? The showing on Friday night was completely sold out.

"Wilbur Wants to Kill Himself" was an excellent display of fine acting, beautiful cinematography and decent dialogue. It is certainly a movie worth renting, especially for those whose humor is a little darker and who appreciate more subtlety. The film is about two brothers—one who makes many attempts on his life, and another who is losing his to disease.

As for "Donnie Darko: Director's Cut," one could not have asked for a better movie to watch in between the other two films. Most of the film contained deleted scenes, which can be found on the DVD, but there were several which were completely new to the audience. A handful of small moments were cut out, or rearranged, making the experience of seeing it feel completely brand new.

In addition, something must be said about the people attending the festival. It is refreshing to talk to strangers who are excited about the films, too. Hearing about people who have been going to the film fest for years, the stories about good and bad films they've seen, and the overall enthusiasm they carry for the festival in general. There is certainly no better way to spend a weekend for a lover of films.

Overall, the film festival was a pleasurable experience, and anyone wishing to check out some great independent cinema should attend next year's festival.

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Rehoboth Beach Film Festival: some movies in review

By: John A. Heath
Features Editor

Battling a biting wind-chill factor and a Friday night rainstorm,

this writer had the distinct pleasure to attend a few films at the Rehoboth Beach Film Festival this past weekend. From a Tarantino-esque Brazilian immortality tale to a post-apocalyptic French flick of survival, the Midway Theater in Delaware served as a great venue to seek shelter from the elements on a mid-November weekend.

"Man of the Year" ("O Homem Do Ano"), from Brazilian director Jose Henrique Fonseca, depicts a downward spiral of a would-be hero and an accidental vigilante. Billed as a "satire of crime and celebrity [where] an ordinary citizen becomes a killer." This concept might seem to be a cliché idea in mainstream Hollywood, but not in good independent cinema.

The movie begins with the protagonist proposing to the audience that God created his life, among others, solely for the purpose of toying with them—an unsettling form of predestination. However, as the movie progresses, the main character takes charge of his own life at the expense of others.

The audience begins to see the main character Maiquel, with partial sympathy—this is expanded as

he befriends a pig, which he names Bill—after the former U.S. President. This pig was actually a gift from one of his fans following his

viewer feeling good in order to be considered well-constructed. Upon viewing, one is certainly not left feeling warm and fuzzy, but the

aspects of everyday life, relies on his [accident warning] bracelet to get through the day." The concept of the implications of fear in a futuristic society seemed to have potential, but the film falls short of what it could have been.

The camera detail is well thought out, and the film cleverly utilizes blurred focusing to capture the sense of a quasi-agoraphobic protagonist. However, after the first 40 minutes, the film seems to break down, not quite becoming the witty satire that it had set out to be.

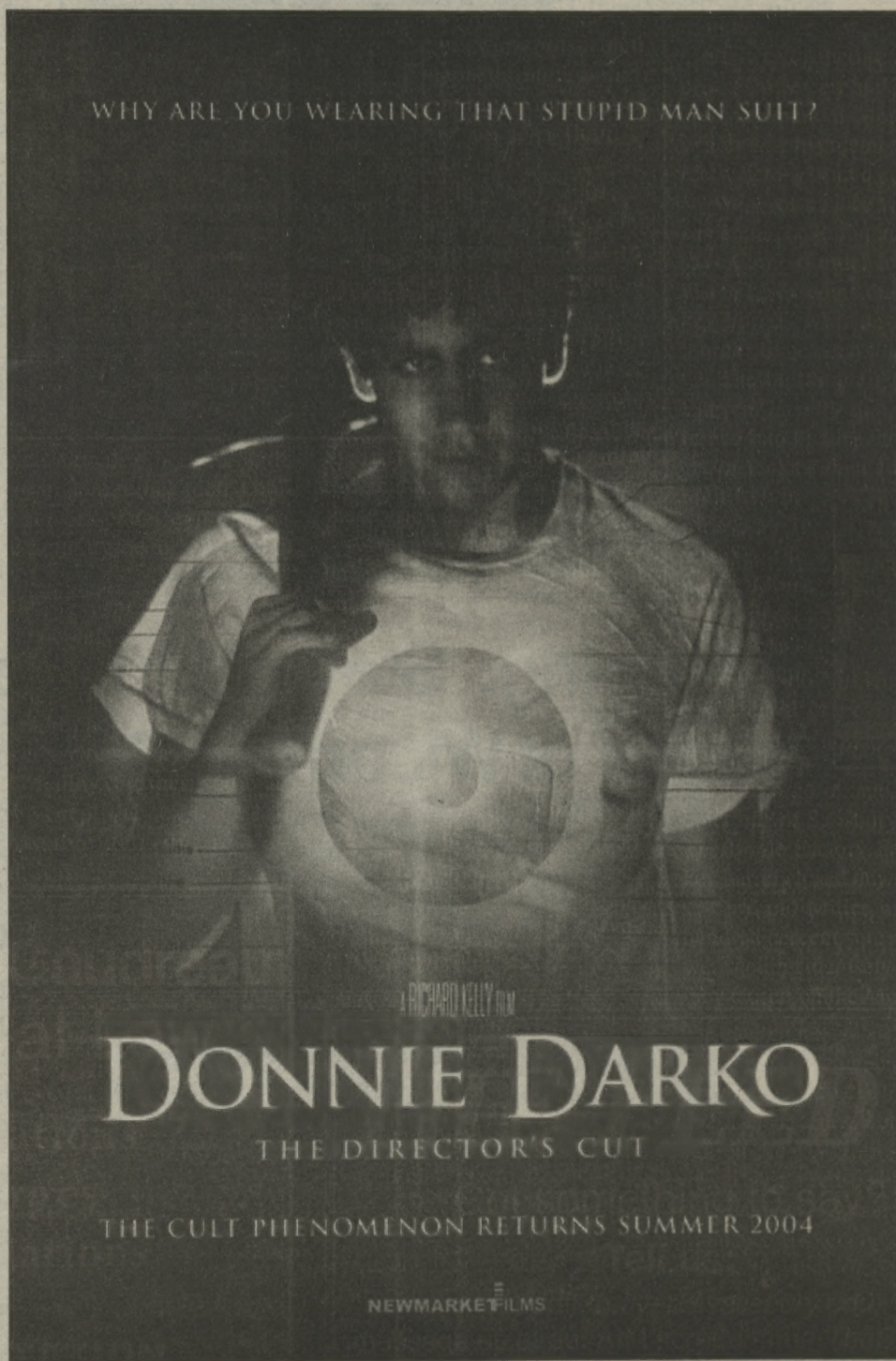
Taking cues from the cult film "Donnie Darko," but falling short of comparable success, the film fails to achieve that certain robust blend of sci-fi, comedy and drama that makes "Donnie Darko" a classic.

The acting is moderately done with some highlight performances from minor character Willie Garson—Stanford of "Sex and the City" fame. The protagonist played by Paulo Costanzo makes one miss Jake Gyllenhaal's Donnie Darko performance—although Costanzo does an adequate job at playing a paranoid.

The film does not seem to focus enough attention on the sci-fi aspects and back-story, which could have made this film more memorable. Perhaps a few more days on the cutting room floor could have reduced this film to a better paced, more effective and enjoyable well-crafted film. However, it comes across as a fairly enjoyable movie that takes a little too long but it is not without its high points. A great concept and decent cast

make the film watchable, but poor pacing really kills it. Fans of "Donnie Darko" might want to check this one out but leave their expectations at the door.

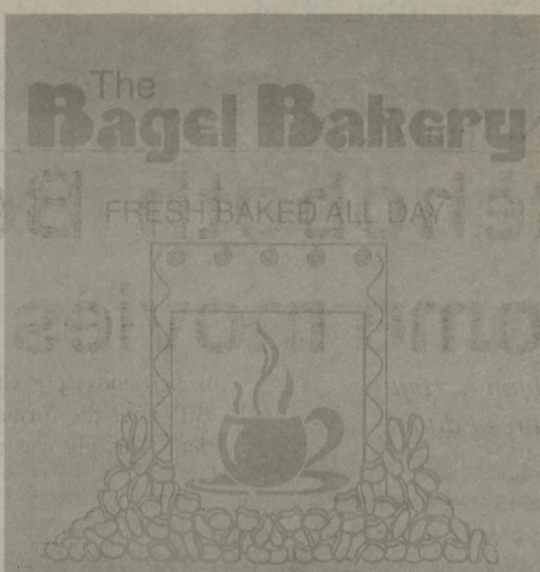
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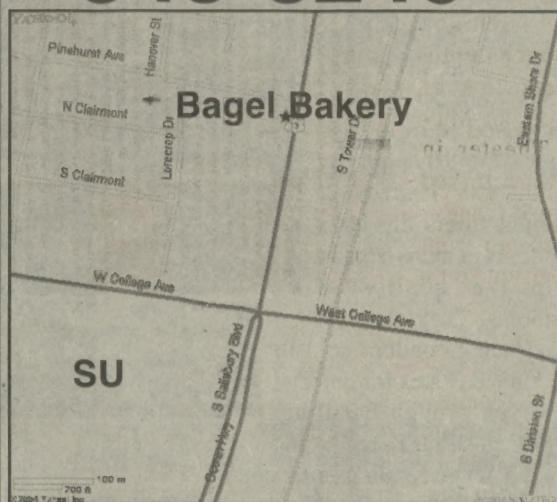
slaying of a notorious member of the community.

Maiquel becomes a hero and is hired to murder other community members who "deserve" their punishment. There is a presence of moral decay as Maiquel's scruples drastically erode.

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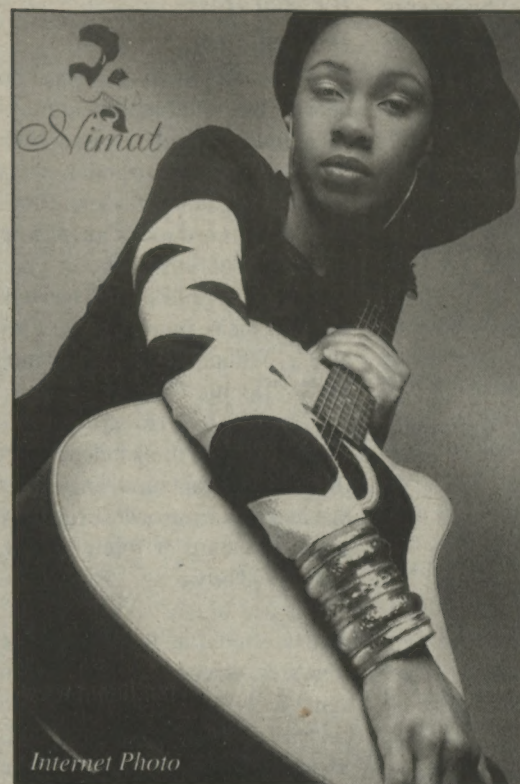
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Nimat's Soulful sounds soothe students

By: Portia Wright
Opinions Editor

Last Friday the Gull's Nest played host to a small neo-soul



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concert by Bowie-based singer, guitarist and poet Nimat, complete with back-up band and singer.

Although the crowd was small, it was extremely diverse and filled with people of all races, including many fans and first-time listeners of neo-soul, a genre VH-1 defines as "a soul-enhancing approach to R&B, a fully-formed sound that has set the industry on fire."

"The music is both soulful, yet compellingly contemporary," it declares.

Nimat opened with "All I Need," a song about positive encouragement; the song was perfect for a school setting where so many students lose fo-

cus and determination.

Fans enjoyed the Tracy Chapman-esque, head-wrapped, guitar playing songstress and the multitalented band that accompanied her.

"She's got a really nice voice," said audience member Martin Purley. "The band is really talented. I like the message of the songs; I give her two thumbs up."

Crowd members like freshmen Latrice Penny and Joy Abraham enjoyed the singer's "performance presence" and the uniqueness of the singer's voice.

Overall, music lovers really enjoyed the posi-

tive messages in Nimat's music and the relaxing tone of the evening.

The singer's album, *A Still Need You*, which she promises will be comprised of many uplifting messages, debuts in May 2005.



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Dance Company shines in showcase

By: Lindsey Richman
Staff Writer

The SU Dance Company presented their 15th Annual Dance Showcase Nov. 10-13 in the Great Hall. Dr. Victoria Hutchinson directed the show.

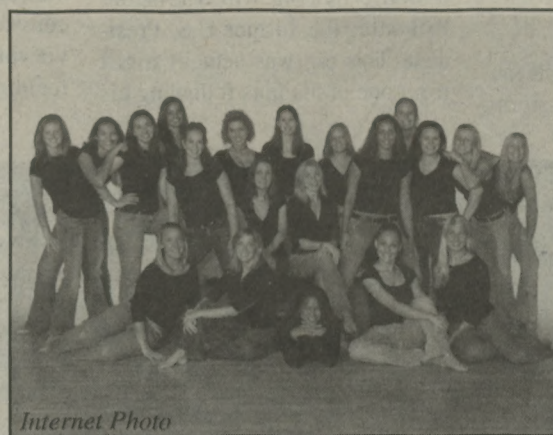
The show was amazing from "Being a Girl," the first act. The choreography to "Being a Girl" by Doris Day evoked style and grace, followed by the fun and attitude of "Just a Girl" by No Doubt, both of which were performed by some of Salisbury's most talented dancers.

Christina Lassalle magically appeared on the stage in her robe and slippers trying on clothes at one point while the rest of the dancers floated onstage during the Doris Day piece. As the slower classic ended, the crazy, livelier piece of "I'm Just a Girl," hit the stage hard.

The performance to Etta James' "At Last" showed a flawless grace. It was a solo performance by guest

artist Donna Salgado. Salgado also added a little culture when she danced to "Kitri Variation" from *Don Quixote*.

Another commendable piece was



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"Dancin' in the Street." Flashing lights and city atmosphere enraptured the audience.

Salisbury Urban Ministries' very own Hip Hop Kids performed "I Believe." The hip hop kids lit-up the stage with some very suave moves of their own including crazy turns and steps that impressed the entire audience. The group was so

good that they received a standing ovation from a very entertained audience.

"I thought the dances were really good. 'Joy' was my favorite," said Janna Walsh.

The finale "Big Spender," by Cy Coleman and Dorothy Fields, ended the night with even more attitude, and in which guest artist Peyton Royal showed great talent and energy.

As always the Fiona Green's choreography for "Being a Girl" took away a gold star.

The SU Dance Company showcased spectacular talent and a poise

that intrigued every audience member, leaving each wondering what would come next.

"I liked the costumes this year and the lighting was well-done, as was the choreography," said Kelly Rieter.

The SU Dance Company gracefully tapped, pointed and spun their way through a magnificent show.

Upcoming: Steve Wingfield Encounter at Wicomico Civic Center

By: Noah Wood
Staff Writer

The Steve Wingfield Encounter holds several evangelical concerts Wednesday-Sunday, Nov. 17-21 at the Wicomico County Youth and Civic Center in Salisbury.

The Steve Wingfield Encounter includes concerts from several different performers and groups during each day.

Wingfield is the evangelist, founder and president of the Steve Wingfield Evangelistic Association. He is from Mt. Crawford, Va. Throughout his shows, Wingfield gives motivational speeches to help advance his messages on how people can live a more fulfilling life.

"Wingfield is an inspirational motivational speaker who talks about overcoming life's difficult problems by using a powerful message,"

says Josh Mitchell, '01. Mitchell serves as the Wingfield Encounter Youth Committee Chair.

Students on campus are getting excited in anticipation of the upcoming concerts and the inspirational messages that Wingfield brings. "It's going to be an amazing experience sharing the love of Christ and watching God move," says John Anello, a junior, who is volunteering for the event.

"There will be great music, tons of people, a lot of hype, and best of all... it's all free," says Mitchell. "Come out and jam with Salisbury at the Civic Center. There's something for everyone. You won't regret it."

The Wicomico County Youth and Civic Center is located on 805 East Main Street.

FEATURED PERFORMANCES

Nov. 17 - Petra
(hard rock band): 7:20 p.m.

Nov. 18 - The Power Team f/ Billy and Sarah Gaines: 7:20 p.m.

Nov. 19 - The Charlie Daniels Band: 7:20 p.m.

Nov. 20 - Kidz Jam: Kid's Touring Company: 10 a.m. - Noon
Battle of the Bands: 3 - 6:30 p.m.
Youth Night/Extreme Day (featuring Out of Eden and Skillet)

Nov. 21 - Jaci Velasquez: 7:20 p.m.

Legend's Get Lifted out December 28

By: Portia Wright
Opinions Editor

John Legend is the mastermind behind the melodious background music for many pop, hip-hop and R&B musicals. On Dec. 28 Kayne West's former protégé finally emerges on his own with *Get Lifted*.

Legend attributes R&B singers Stevie Wonder, Marvin Gaye and Smokey Robinson as his early influences, as well as gospel greats Shirley Caesar and James Cleveland. He is able to combine both his gospel roots and the sensual, edgy vibes of R&B music in his current video "Used to Love You" which has become a regular on both BET and MTV.

While studying at the University of Pennsylvania, Legend met and became good friends with current producer Devo Tozer and was later in-

troduced to his famous cousin Kayne West. The friendship between Legend and West led to a boatload of experience and exposure for Legend, who has since helped to produce, write and compose for artists including the Black Eyed Peas, Talib Kweli, Janet Jackson, Alicia Keys, Jay Z and Lauryn Hill.

Lauryn Hill fans may remember Legend's work on "Everything is Everything" where he played piano for the Fugees singer on her Grammy-winning *Miseducation of Lauryn Hill* LP. Fans of New York's own piano playing songstress Alicia Keys would enjoy the remix Legend and Kayne did of the singers "If I Ain't Got You." Legend also co wrote and played piano on Janet Jackson's "I Want You" from last spring's *Damita Jo*. And Talib Kweli is singing

Legend's praises after the success of his current single "I Try" with Mary J. Blige, on which Legend offers vocals and co wrote.

Legend, Kayne, Dave Tozer, Devo Harris and Will I. Am. (from the Black Eyed Peas) produced the soon-to-be album. The a cappella song "Ordinary People" is soon to become a classic R&B tune with its message of yearning and heartbreak exemplified by Legend's soulful voice; it definitely pulls at the heart strings. Legend's personal favorite track, "It Don't Have to Change," features his musically inclined family members on background and even on lead vocals.

While the romantic themes of traditional R&B permeate Legend's album, it is also combined and tempered with a certain street-worthy confidence that will make the album a success.



B&W Photo by: Jason Culpepper

Kat's Rant of the Week: Film flops

By: Kat Hess
Photo Editor

The movie industry occasionally sickens me. For every brilliant filmmaker, for every creative plot, for every visionary film that will never be seen for lack of fund-



ing, there is "The Mask 2." Not necessarily that specific movie alone, but movies in that same vein. Were there actually people sitting around where someone decided that "The Mask" NEEDED a sequel? Especially after so much time had passed since its first release. For that matter, why was "Baby Geniuses" made? Why did people agree to put money out for that film?

Even worse, a Salisbury movie theatre actually had the movie

playing here for a week. A place that avoids independents like the plague actually believed that movie would bring them money.

Why is it, that the real artists can get little to no publicity for a movie that says something, when "The Mask 2" has a teaser in front of "Lord of the Rings: Return of the King" over a year before its actual release? My advice to movie stu-



dios: flush your money down the toilet, it would certainly be an improvement over the crap that is thrown together, packaged and sold now. Otherwise, the money could be invested in a film with real promise, and possibly end up with money in their pockets. Funny how they seem to go for the first option by making a perfectly useless movie more times than not.

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Kansas number one XC steps it up at regionals: Men 8th, Women 10th

By Matt Petersen
Staff Writer

The leaves have completely fallen off the trees; the temperatures drop below freezing at night; no one on campus really wants to go outside any more; and it is dark before 6 p.m. What does this mean for college kids? Hibernation. Yes, it is nice to sleep until 4 p.m. and miss every class because it is too cold to walk to Fulton Hall, but it also means the NCAA basketball season is just around the corner.

ESPN gets each season rolling with its preseason rankings. Every fan wants to see who is number one. Most fans have an argument for why their team should be ranked higher. The rankings get people talking about college basketball after an autumn dominated by the MLB playoffs and the NFL.

Here are ESPN's Top 10:

1. Kansas
2. Wake Forest
3. North Carolina
4. Georgia Tech
5. Illinois
6. Syracuse
7. Connecticut
8. Oklahoma State
9. Kentucky
10. Michigan State

No. 1 Kansas is a top pick for many people to win the national championship. The Jayhawks have

four seniors playing their fourth year at Kansas. This is very rare in this day and age when most good college players enter the draft before their senior year. But the four seniors, Wayne Simien, Keith Langford, Aaron Miles and Michael Lee, have all been to the NCAA tournament three times with two different coaches. These



four Jayhawks know how to win the big games and this poise will rub off on the rest of the team.

The second ranked Demon Deacons of Wake Forest should put on quite a show this year. With three returning starters scoring in double digits each game and with a team scoring average of over 83, it should be hard for any team to shut down Chris Paul and the Deacons. Wake Forest is looking to win the toughest conference in the country, the ACC, and claim a national championship.

With Roy Williams's system coming into full effect, the No. 3

North Carolina Tar Heels will be a strong contender in the ACC as well as the NCAA tournament. The Heels have Sean May and Rashawd McCants both returning, having averaged over 15 points a game last year. The young team that Williams brought in is maturing, so look for the Tar Heels to be playing well into March.

Fourth ranked Georgia Tech, yet another ACC team in the top five, will look to senior B.J. Elder and junior Jarrett Jack to lead the way to a national championship. The guard duo accounted for nearly 30 points a game last year, and the Yellow Jackets will need this performance to continue as they make their way through the tough ACC.

Fifth ranked Illinois has three players shooting over 30 percent from behind the three-point arc, as well as two players grabbing five or more rebounds a game. The Fighting Illini will be looking to dominate the Big Ten this season and hope to make a run at a final four.

These are only the preseason rankings, and they are bound to change very soon. It is almost a sure thing that Duke, No. 12, will move up in the rankings, and as everyone in Maryland knows, the Terps, ranked 16th, will win it all again, simply because Gary Williams yells a lot.

By Noah Wood
Staff Writer

The SU cross country team put up their best Regional Championship performance in the NCAA Division III Midwest Regional Saturday at Allegheny College in Meadville, Pa.

The men pulled together and finished eighth out of 34 teams with 239 points. Last year they finished in 10th place with 312 points out of 35 teams, so the improvement is quite apparent.

Haverford College, a very formidable rival, easily won the men's race with 53 points. The course was really hilly and there was a heavy chill in the air. The Sea Gulls who braved the 8-kilometer course from the men's team were junior Scott Koehler (28th with 26:45), sophomore Daryl Lee (38th with 27:07), freshman Buck Stokes (45th with 27:20), junior Will Murdock (61st with 27:36), freshman Eric Graves (69th with 27:45), sophomore Matt Vetter (78th with 27:56) and senior Will Detwiler (84th with 28:03).

"We came out and competed and went after some of the good teams out here," said Detwiler. "And the young people on the team really stepped it up and showed great experience. Coach has been building up the team to be something special."

Detwiler is looking for competing on the track & field team during the Spring Semester and then helping to coach cross country in the next XC season.

In addition, Koehler earned an NCAA All-Region Title for finishing in the top 35. Stokes and Graves also made the All-Freshmen Team, finishing within the top 14 of freshmen in the race. Stokes was the fourth freshman and Graves was eighth in the whole field of runners.

The women concluded a successful season of hard work and incredible improvement with a 10th place finish out of 35 teams with 344 points. Last year they finished 19th out of 38 teams with 531 points.

The hosting school, Allegheny College, won the women's race with 99 points. The 6-kilometer course had a fair amount of challenging hills, slowing down the race times. The Sea Gulls who ran from the

women's team were freshman Laura Ulmer (48th with 24:14), junior Lauren Bragg (49th with 24:17), freshman Zuzka O'Zwoldlikes (74th with 24:51), freshman Casey McInerney (77th with 24:56), sophomore Ruth Hedrick (96th with 25:15), junior Amy Lang (145th with 26:26) and freshman Jessica Morris (115th with 25:41).

"I think this is the hardest course we've run all year, and the weather was really cold compared to what we've run in," said Morris. "I think we did awesome, and everyone worked their hardest."

Despite the adversity of the course and conditions, the Sea Gulls flew as strong as they have all season.

The results of the championship meet pleased head coach Jim Jones very much. In his fifth year of coaching the Sea Gulls, he has never had a Regional performance as terrific as the one from the past weekend.

"This is the best finish both of our teams have had at the Regional Championships," said Jones. "If we continue to improve in the next year I believe both teams will have a legitimate opportunity to compete at the National Championships because four teams will qualify out of our region. I'm very proud of how both of our teams competed this year."

Also, the assistant coach Andrew "Taco" Marrocco was happy that he ended his assistant coaching for SU cross-country on a rather positive note.

"I thought that the men's and women's teams performed very well," said Marrocco. "I guess it's been a real honor and a lot of fun working with these men and women, and I look forward to one last season with them during track."

Before becoming an assistant coach, Marrocco was one of the lead runners on the team and is now an avid marathon runner. His leadership and contribution to the team have been invaluable assets to the team's victories this season.

The cross-country season is concluded, but the beginning of the spring semester will bring track and field, a sport that most of the cross-country runners are planning to partake in.

Here's to hoping this isn't the beginning of the end

By Kevin Froehlich
Sports Editor

Once again Barry Bonds is in the news. And once again it's not for a good reason. Where's Barry's PR guy? Right now his image is so tainted he makes George Steinbrenner look like a decent, but slightly insane, gentleman. That's pretty hard to do, too, considering Steinbrenner sold his soul to Satan in the '60s for power and prestige while everyone else was searching for peace, love and happiness. God bless America.

In court documents released recently, BALCO executives, most notably Vice President James Valente and founder Victor Conte, allegedly admitted in interviews conducted by federal investigators that Bonds received and used steroids. Special Agent Jeff Novitzky wrote Bonds received "the clear" (which Conte identified as THG) and "the cream" (a testosterone-based ointment) on a couple occasions, and that "the clear" didn't make him feel good. What, did he suffer from a case of explosive diarrhea or something? You think with a name like "the clear" you'd be in the clear when taking it.

So of course Conte denied the accuracy of the memo, saying, "[The feds] fabricate evidence and then they illegally leak it to the

media. This has been a pattern since the very beginning of the BALCO case. They seem to be determined to win, no matter what it takes."

Although it seems highly implausible that the courts would consistently release false statements about Bonds just to keep the dark and possibly damning cloud that's above his head lingering there, it does seem like Bonds is desperately trying to tarnish everything he's done to become maybe baseball's greatest player ever.

Bonds' stats are unbelievable. He batted .362 this season with 45 HR, 101 RBIs, 232 walks and a slugging percentage of .812. His lifetime stats include a .300 average, .611 slugging percentage, 703 HR (third all time and only 52 behind leader Henry Aaron), 1843 RBIs and 2302 walks (first all time). He was named *The Sporting News* Player of the Decade for the '90s, is the only member of the 500 HR-500 SB club, is a 13-time All-Star, has eight Gold Gloves and six MVP awards (the most ever), with a possible seventh coming in the next few weeks. Yet his entire legacy could be crushed like his famous World Series homer against the Angels that got lost in the California night if the accusations of his steroid use become truth.

Bonds, who has not yet been indicted, has denied repeatedly that he used steroids, but it's still hard to believe him. How else can you explain his increase in body weight of almost 50 pounds, the fact he didn't start hitting 50 dingers a year until McGwire and Sosa demolished Maris' record and the statements of his former workout buddy Gary Sheffield?

Sheffield claimed Bonds gave him "the cream" and he took it not knowing it was a steroid; subsequently, he wasn't punished by MLB. However, both men are among a number of athletes who were named in the investigations to have received steroids, so this is not just an attack on Bonds.

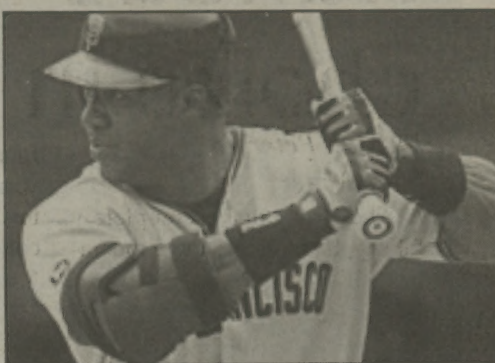
We know the cases of Bonds and Sheffield, but take a look at eight other athletes mentioned: Benito Santiago (could explain why he's still playing even though he's a member of AARP), Jason Giambi (a virus can't be the only contributor to his lackluster play this season), Bill Romanowski (and we know now part of the reason why he's so mean), Barrett Roberts, Dana Stubblefield, Johnnie Morton (they're not even heard of anymore), and Marion Jones and Tim Montgomery (world class sprinters to just another runner? That spoonful's pretty hard to swallow).

What's happening to the world of sports?

(By the way, did you hear Kevin Millar say that since it worked for game six of the ALCS, the Red Sox drank Jack Daniel's before every game thereafter? "It wasn't as if guys were drunk," he said. "It was one of those group team things, like shaving our heads last year." Millar said they all drank from one small Gatorade cup in a symbolic gesture of team unity. There have been many unique team rituals, but this one is not just an attack on Bonds. I'm signing with Boston. And if I'm Jack Daniel's, Millar is my new spokesperson.)

I hate to say it, but if the allegations are true then Bonds should have an asterisk placed next to his achievements. I'm not saying taking steroids would be the only reason he's a great player, because you can't teach talent, and he has a barrel full of it.

It's just that if he wasn't so big and could hit any pitch at any time out of the galaxy then he wouldn't be walked so much and he wouldn't be able to wait for a cock-shot every at-bat. He'd probably



average the same stats he always had when he was a normal sized human in Pittsburgh and still be considered one of the game's greats.

But 232 walks? Come on, that's almost as many walks as Ichiro had hits this season. Situations like these make it hard not to assume.

Please don't get me wrong, I hope Bonds has never taken steroids. Baseball is on such a high and the American people are starting to love the game again that if the accusations turn out to be true, some fans may never watch again. If baseball continues to have years like they had this year, though, they might be able to stop football from becoming "America's Pastime." Let's just pray the BALCO fiasco hasn't gone and ruined it for baseball.

Student-athlete Spotlight: Christopher Mills

By Jeff Mizia
Staff Writer

Junior forward Chris Mills began his quest toward a national title when he began playing soccer at the young age of five. He then went on to star at South Hagerstown High, where he captained the team his junior and senior years. His senior year he was All-Area Offensive player of the year, along with being named to the all-conference and all-state teams. It was during his high school career that he chose to attend Salisbury University because of how much he liked Coach DiBartolo and his players in the soccer program, and because he always wanted to be on a team that could contend for a championship.

"Coach is very relaxed and composed," Mills said. "He's very supportive and his attitude reflects a lot onto the team. He expects everyone to work and play hard every day."

The tie against Mary Washing-

ton showed that we can't just expect to win. We really want to keep that perfect record," he said. Although happy at the

"We wanted to win the CACs, stay undefeated and win the national championship," Mills said. "Coming off last year and only losing two players, we knew that we had the depth to compete for a national title."

The Gulls so far are on the right pace as they defeated York in the CAC championship 1-0. Thus far they have yet to taste defeat, but do have two ties.

accomplishments so far, the team still is very hungry for a national title.

Individually Mills wanted to improve on his nine goals from last year and try his best at the school

record for most goals in a season. "I just wanted to do everything I could to help this team capture the national title," he said.

Mills has a team-high 15 goals heading into NCAA Tournament play, with five being game-winning goals. On the field, Mills is all about having fun as he brings the energy to the team. He likes to pump his team up, wake them up and keep them at an ultimate high.

The team has a very unique relationship, which is why they are national title contenders this year. "I just can't put into words how much a national title would mean to everyone on this team," Mills said. "We're all friends. We all joke

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around and pick on each other, but at the same time are always working hard as one big unit."

Possibly having more than just one home playoff game is key for the team. "It's huge, especially in the playoffs because of not having to go away on long bus rides. And we can sleep in our own beds before the game."

Soccer is continuing to gain popularity worldwide and even throughout the Salisbury community as the Sea Gulls fly toward a national title. Mills believes that young pro stars like Freddy Adu are great for the sport.

"If good enough, they only make the country more interested," he said. "It makes the popularity of the sport grow in the U.S. and allows us to compete around the world."

Hopefully for Mills and his team, they can make their own soccer history at Salisbury: a national title.

Sea Gull Sports Beat

By Kevin Froehlich
Sports Editor

VOLLEYBALL

The Salisbury volleyball team's season ended Thursday with a 3-1 (21-30, 37-35, 21-30, 25-30) loss to Frostburg State in Gettysburg, Pa. in the first round of the NCAA Tournament. The defeat ended the 2004 Capital Athletic Conference Championship Gulls' (25-12) 13 game winning streak.

Lindsay Lawson led the team with 17 kills. Lynn Cipollone added 14 and Brittany Mister backed on 10. Abbey Petrecca re-

corded team-highs in assists and digs with 42 and 22 respectively. Mister also had two service aces.

"We had an outstanding season with a young team that featured lots of freshmen and underclassmen," head coach Margie Knight said. "Our early schedule was very challenging with a lot of tough competition, but this team didn't lose its focus of winning the conference championship and getting to the NCAA Tournament. We were battle-tested by the time we got to the conference tournament."

"I think we have a bright future. We lose one senior [All-American

Kim Rementer] who was a key player for us, but we also return three all-conference players next season."

Congratulations to the volleyball team on a fantastic season.

UPCOMING GAMES

Men's Soccer vs. Johns Hopkins Saturday, site and time TBD
Football's NCAA tournament game TBD

For updates on times and sites check Salisbury University's Athletic Website

Football captures regent cup while completing undefeated season

By Jeff Mizia
Staff writer

The Salisbury football team showed Saturday why they will make a run in the playoffs after winning convincingly 23-7 over Frostburg State at Towson University. By defeating Frostburg, they clinched a playoff spot, a Regents cup trophy and an undefeated regular season (third in school history). The win also marked a series tie at 16 between the two rival schools.

Salisbury (10-0) started off the first quarter on a great note by moving 61 yards on the opening possession of the game, capped by a six-yard touchdown run by fullback Leroy Satchell. The fullback had a great game for the Sea Gulls as he rushed for an impressive 105 yards on the day.

The Gulls then scored on its very next possession on a 30-yard pass from quarterback Dustin Johnson to wide receiver Teddy Savage,

who made an amazing catch in traffic. This capped a 62-yard drive, which showed great execution by the option offense. Salisbury led 14-0 when the first quarter ended.

The rest of the game was sloppy at times as both teams found it tough to get it in the end zone on a very cold and windy day at Johnny Unitas Stadium. However, Salisbury's defense really stepped it up, allowing the Gulls to keep a strong lead throughout the game. Johnson ran 25 yards for a touchdown with under two minutes left in the first half taking Salisbury with a 20-0 lead into half time.

The second half was a defensive battle as Frostburg was only able to manage one touchdown off of their ground game. However, before the Bobcats touchdown, Salisbury managed to get a field goal, which proved to be more than enough for the undefeated Sea Gulls. Brock Boland kicked an in-

credible 48-yard field goal that just snuck in to give the Gulls some more comfort.

Johnson, who was later named MVP for Salisbury, along with Frostburg running back Antoine Beale, finished the day with 83 yards rushing and 79 yards passing. Senior linebacker Brad DeHaven had an impressive game on the defensive side as he managed to grab 10 tackles and two sacks on the day.

One of his sacks came with just under six minutes to play in the game and basically sealed the undefeated season for the Sea Gulls. The Salisbury defense finished the game with seven total sacks.

Salisbury marches into the NCAA Division III playoffs after completing a perfect 10-0 season. The playoff brackets were not available as of press time, but you can check out how the Gulls are looking in the playoff run on the school's website.

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Men's Soccer sends Arcadia home on penalty kicks

By Aaron Boker
Staff writer

The game may go down as a 1-1 tie, but it will go down as a second round NCAA tournament victory over Arcadia for the third-ranked Salisbury men's soccer team.

With the score tied 5-5 after the first six penalty shots, Sea Gulls' junior goalie Matt Cranford denied the Knights (16-3-4) of the go-ahead lead and set up junior back fielder Dan Thraikill's game winning kick for the Sea Gulls (18-0-3).

"Once Cranford saved it, it took a lot of pressure off me," said Thraikill. "It's a huge opportunity to win the game, and the team was behind me, which gave me a lot more con-

fidence to win the game."

The game started out evenly matched, with both teams featuring strong defense and physical play. Salisbury took a 1-0 lead 15:51 into the game when junior forward Bill Whittington took a lob from junior forward Chris Mills and kicked it into the net.

The Sea Gulls were at a disadvantage in the second half. The wind was not at their side and resulted in Arcadia controlling most of the ball movement. Salisbury's defense hung tough by clearing the ball and a couple of crucial saves by Cranford.

However, Knights' midfielder Bryan Altland slipped one past the Sea Gulls' defense and into the net

with just 3:55 left on the game clock to tie up the score 1-1. Salisbury gave the Knights little time to celebrate with time left to play in regulation.

"After they scored the goal, we attacked and continued to attack. We tried to win the game in regulation," said Coach Gerry DiBartolo, who was named Capital Athletic Conference coach of the year this past week.

Salisbury would not score by the final whistle liked they hoped, forcing overtime. Switching sides, Salisbury had the wind in their favor but could not capitalize. The advantage returned to Arcadia in the second 10 minute overtime period but the Knights were denied of a sure win



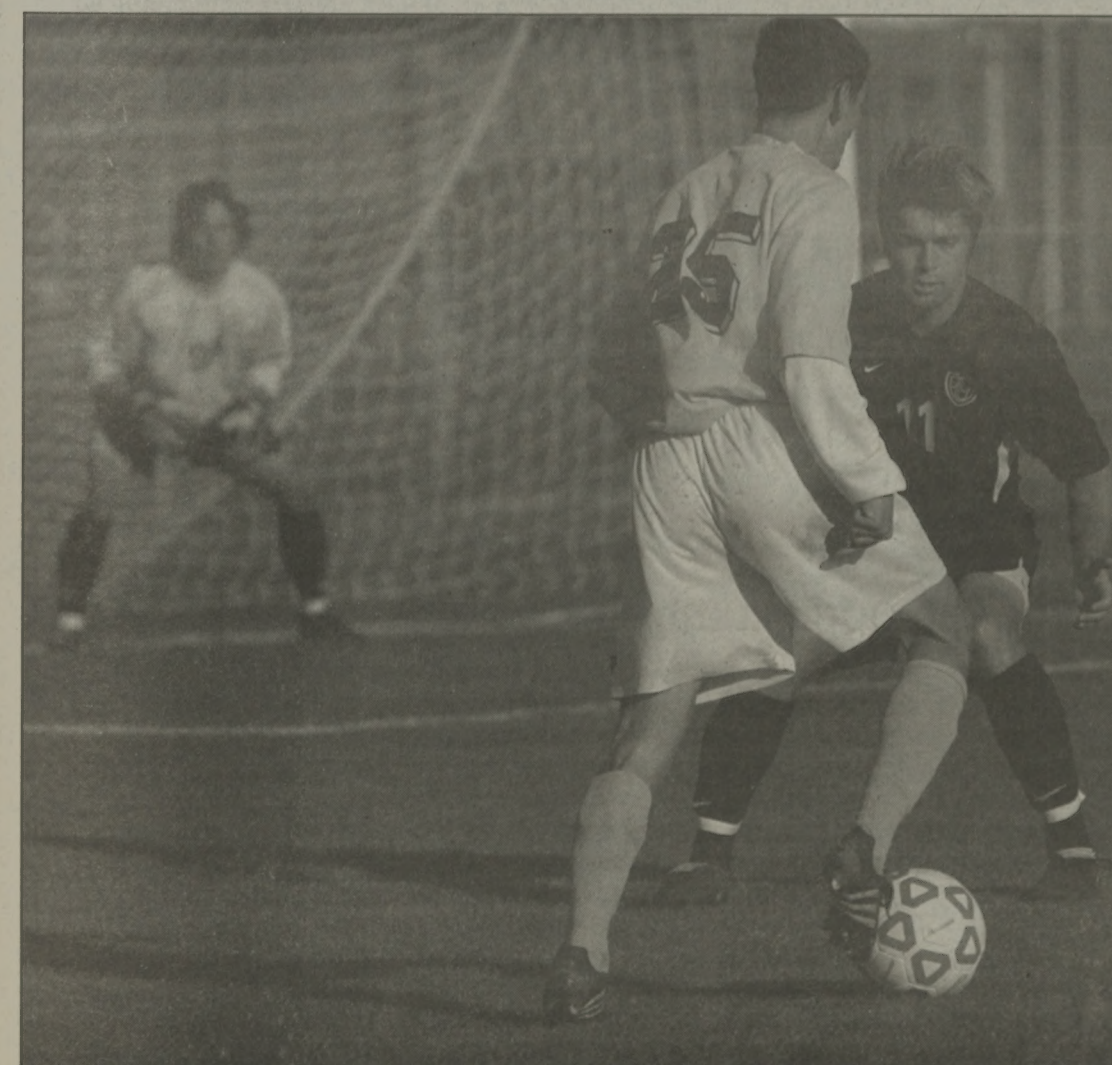
when Cranford deflected a shot over the net and stopped a free kick chance two minutes later.

"I tried to keep my head on and not dwell on it [allowing the second half goal] and stay focus," said Cranford. "There's still a job to do to finish the game."

In penalty kicks, the Knights and Sea Gulls knocked in their first three kicks. The next kick for each team was stopped by Cranford for Salisbury and junior goalie Ralph Giangillo to keep it knotted at three scores a piece. Both teams knocked in their next two to set up Cranford's clutch save and Thraikill's winning shot.

"The feeling is tremendous [to win on penalty kicks]," said DiBartolo. "If we get the penalty kicks and our goalie makes a save or two, we knew we would come out big."

The victory not only advances the Sea into the NCAA sectionals, but also sets a school record of 21 unbeaten games. Salisbury will look to extend the streak and advance to the quarterfinals for the second year in row later this week when they play second-ranked John Hopkins, who also advanced on penalty kicks against Elizabethtown. The game will be on Friday or Saturday with a time and site still yet to be determined.



Salisbury University took Arcadia University into overtime for the NCAA championship title. Photo by Constance Mensh

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Field Hockey dominates Drew in Regional Semi

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Salisbury University's defending National Champion Field Hockey team started out its postseason quest to claim the title against Drew on Sunday.

The No. 1 Gulls dominated the Drew Rangers, defeating the visitors 8-0. The opening 15 minutes of the game would be the closest the Rangers would get to mid-field, with the Gulls offense and midfield teaming up to keep relentless pressure on the Rangers. That pressure finally paid dividends with 18:40 remaining in the first half when Abbey Rowe blasted a shot past Rangers goalkeeper Tara Connelly to put the Gulls up 1-0.

The Gulls continued to completely dominate all phases of the game with Drew struggling just to get the ball out to midfield. Ranger's keeper Connelly was able to keep the game close at first but she could only do so much. With 9:24 left in the first half, Erin Budd deposited a pass from Melissa Webster into the back of the net, the first of four assists on the day for Webster.

The offensive pressure put on by the Sea Gulls continued and scored yet again with six minutes and change left in the first half to make the core 3-0. Short of three minutes later, Brittany Elliott added a goal to tie her for the team lead in goals scored with 20. Elliott would finish the day with



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two goals and an assist.

Salisbury was able to sneak another tally onto the scoreboard right before half-time. With 18.4 seconds left on the clock, Budd and Webster connected again for the goal and the assist to bring the score to 5-0 at half time. The first half saw nothing but the best from the Sea Gulls as they completely outplayed the Rangers and dominated the first 35 minutes of the game.

Unfortunately for the Rangers, that domination had no end in sight with the second half eerily resembling the first. Nine minutes into the second half Salisbury continued the rout with Budd and Webster teaming up for their third goal and assist respectively on the day.

Budd had a monstrous game, scoring three goals and playing extremely well to keep possession away from the Rangers.

The Gulls offense did not stop at six goals, however. They were hungry for more and with just under 20 minutes remaining in the match, Elliott gained control of the ball out of a scramble in front of the goal and poked one in from about seven feet out.

The Sea Gulls capped off the game with their eighth goal of the match at 13:08 remaining when Webster scored off an Elliott pass.

The offense and midfield put on such an attack that it completely took the Rangers forwards out of the game. "For almost the entire game, Salisbury's offense had possession of the ball and did not allow Drew any opportunities to score.

"This was a full team effort and everybody played their best game," coach Dawn Chamberlin said. "From our attack to our goal keeper everyone played great.

Salisbury will take on the winner of The College of New Jersey and Springfield University on Monday at noon here at Salisbury University.